

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Mangiardi et al. Confirmation No. 9014
Appl. No.: 10/718,217 Group Art Unit: 3734
Filed: November 20, 2003 Examiner: Truong, Kevin Thao
For: DIFFERENTIAL COVERING AND COATING METHODS

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Commissioner for Patents
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**PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.181 TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT
IN ACCORDANCE WITH MPEP §711.03(C) AND 1156 O.G. 53**

Sir:

As set forth in MPEP § 711.03(c) and 1156 O.G. 53, Applicants hereby petition to have the holding of abandonment of the above-identified application withdrawn. The application was held to be abandoned for failure to respond to an Office Action mailed January 4, 2007. The following materials are submitted in support of Applicants' petition:

1. a copy of a Power of Attorney, Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b), and Change of Correspondence Address filed on March 3, 2005, by which the assignee of the present application appointed the undersigned attorneys (hereafter referred to as "we" and "us") to represent Applicants in the prosecution of the above-identified application and in which the United States Patent and Trademark Office was instructed to address all future correspondence to us;
2. a copy of our return postcard from the United States Patent and Trademark Office showing that the Patent Office received the Power of Attorney, Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b), and Change of Correspondence Address;
3. a copy of the outside front cover of the file jacket maintained by us for the above-identified application; and
4. a copy of our Docket Control Sheet for the application.

The undersigned attorney for Applicants has made a search of the file jacket and docket records associated with the above-identified application, and that search indicates that the Office Action mailed January 4, 2007 was not received by us. Our regular routine followed in all applications prosecuted in the United States Patent and Trademark Office is to enter Office

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Actions received from the Patent Office on the front outside cover of the file jacket, as well as on a separate Docket Control Sheet, when the Office Actions are received. The copy of the front outside cover of the file jacket in the above-identified application and the copy of the Docket Control Sheet both show that the Office Action of January 4, 2007 was not entered, thus indicating that the Office Action was not received.

Since no action in the application had been forthcoming from the United States Patent and Trademark Office for a longer period of time than would ordinarily be anticipated, we logged into the United States Patent and Trademark Office Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system in order to ascertain the status of the application. Consequently, we noticed that the status of the application was listed as "abandoned" and obtained copies of the Notice of Abandonment (mailed July 24, 2007) and the Office Action (mailed January 4, 2007), both of which were mailed to the incorrect address, i.e., not the address given in the above-noted Power of Attorney or Change of Correspondence Address.

In view of the foregoing remarks and the enclosed evidence indicating that the Office Action was not received, Applicants respectfully request that the instant petition be granted and that the holding of abandonment of the application be withdrawn.

It is believed that the present petition is treated as a petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.181, and that no fee is applicable. However, if any fee is due, please charge the fee to our deposit account No. 16-0605.

Respectfully submitted,



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as attorney(s) or agent(s) to represent the undersigned before the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) and are authorized to act on behalf of the Assignee in connection with any and all patent applications assigned only to the undersigned according to the USPTO assignment records or assignment documents attached to this form in accordance with 37 CFR 3.73(b).

Assignee Name and Address:

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A copy of this form, together with a statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) (Form PTO/SB/96 or equivalent) is required to be filed in each application in which this form is used. The statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) may be completed by one of the practitioners appointed in this form if the appointed practitioner is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee, and must identify the application in which this Power of Attorney is to be filed.

SIGNATURE of Assignee of Record

The individual whose signature and title is supplied below is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee

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Date 2 February 2005

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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)

Alveolus, Inc. is:

1. the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest; or
2. an assignee of an undivided part interest

in the patent identified above by virtue of:

- A. An assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application/patent identified above. A copy of said assignment that is being recorded separately is attached hereto.
- B. An assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application/patent identified above. The assignment was recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 014707, Frame 0233.
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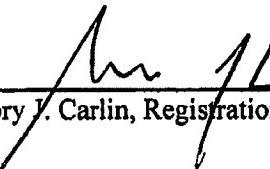
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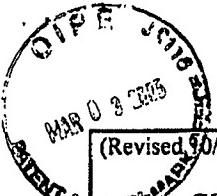
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Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b); Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement; PTO 1449 - 11 sheets; 25 foreign references

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CLIENT REF. NO. 000100.0038

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